



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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## **NON STREAMLINED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING**

### **Section 214 Applications (47 C.F.R. § 63.18); Authorize Switched Services over Private Lines (47 C.F.R. § 63.16) and Section 310(b)(4)**

Unless otherwise specified, the following procedures apply to the applications listed below:

The applications listed below have been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing. These applications are not subject to the streamlined processing procedures set forth in Section 63.12 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12. These applications shall not be deemed granted until the Commission affirmatively acts upon the application, either by public notice or by written order. Operation for which authorization is sought may not commence except in accordance with any terms or conditions imposed by the Commission.

Unless otherwise specified, interested parties may file comments with respect to these applications within 28 days of the date of this public notice. We request that such comments refer to the application file number shown below. No application listed below shall be granted by the Commission earlier than the day after the date specified in this public notice for the filing of comments.

Unless otherwise specified, ex parte communications between outside parties and Commission staff concerning these applications are permitted subject to the Commission's rules for "permit-but-disclose proceedings." See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206.

Copies of all applications listed here are available for public inspection in the FCC Reference and Information Center, located in room CY-A257 at the Portals 2 building, 445 12th Street SW, Washington DC 20554. The center can be contacted at (202) 418-0270. People with Disabilities: To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to [fcc504@fcc.gov](mailto:fcc504@fcc.gov) or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty). All applications listed are subject to further consideration and review, and may be returned and/or dismissed if not found to be in accordance with the Commission's rules, regulations, and other requirements.

## Petition for Declaratory Ruling

Horizon Mobile Communications, Inc. (Horizon or the "Petitioner") requests a declaratory ruling that the public interest would not be served by prohibiting the indirect foreign ownership of Horizon in excess of the 25 percent benchmark set forth in section 310(b)(4) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"). This request is filed in connection with an application for a blanket license to operate 20,000 mobile earth terminals to be used in the United States to access the Inmarsat 4F2 satellite to provide Broadband Global Area Network (BGAN) services. See File No. SES-LFS-20070109-00042.

Horizon, a Delaware corporation, is wholly owned by SatCom Distribution, Inc. (SatCom Inc.), also a Delaware corporation. SatCom Inc., in turn, is wholly owned by SatCom Distribution, Ltd. (SatCom Ltd.), a company organized under the laws of the United Kingdom. SatCom Ltd., in turn, is wholly owned by SatCom Group Holdings Plc (SatCom Holdings), a public company organized under the laws of the United Kingdom. Petitioner identifies four shareholders as holding more than 10% of the shares of SatCom Holdings: Adam C. Thompson, Alexandra M. Johnson, and Martin C. Ward, each of whom holds 19.04%, and Mark B. White, who holds 19.43%. Mr. Thompson is a U.S. citizen; Ms. Johnson, Mr. Ward, and Mr. White all are British citizens. Petitioner represents that Horizon's ultimate parent company, SatCom Holdings, has its principal place of business in the United Kingdom, a World Trade Organization Member country.

The Petitioner asserts that, pursuant to the rules and policies established by the Commission's Foreign Participation Order, 12 FCC Rcd 23891 (1997), Order on Reconsideration, 15 FCC Rcd 18158 (2000), the public interest would not be served by prohibiting the indirect foreign ownership of Horizon in excess of the 25 percent benchmark in section 310(b)(4) of the Act.

## International Telecommunications Certificate

**Service(s):** INMARSAT and Mobile Satellite Service

Application for authority to provide Inmarsat Broadband Global Area Network (BGAN) Mobile Satellite Services as a facilities-based and resale provider of mobile satellite service via the Inmarsat 4F2 Satellite at 52.75 degrees W.L.

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## REMINDER:

Applicants must certify that neither the applicant nor any party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits by federal and/or state courts under authority granted in 21 U.S.C. § 862. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.2001–.2003.

An updated version of Section 63.09-.25 of the rules, and other related sections, is available at <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/telecomrules.html>